

ROBERT GARLICK: You won't have trouble keeping up with me. Robert Garlick from Skyline Mine, Bowie Resource in support of maintaining or lowering coal rates because the coal industry already pays more than its fair share of existing federal rates, are too high given current market conditions. Raising rates will lower production and revenues and raising rates will cost jobs and harm communities. Support for streamlining the current leasing process so the Federal Coal Program is administered in a way that better promotes economic stability and jobs, especially in coal communities which are already suffering from depressed economic conditions. At Skyline I unload supplies that come into the mine, and on any given week, the following supplies come in that are worth thousands and thousands of dollars, and some of this stuff is wood, pumps, cans, mesh, cinder block, roof bolts, resin, Driscopipe, belting, belt structure, tires, rock dust, cement, Kennedy stoppings, electrical cable, oil, grease, and diesel which results in thousands of jobs to these companies. If our government keeps wanting to keep coal in the ground, you're putting these companies and these people's jobs in jeopardy, not to mention the impact that you're putting on our kids and grandkids. What will the future be like for them in the future? I'm going to set a record here. Just talking to a grandpa that retired from coal mining last week and his grandson is an engineer and was going into the mining business -- it's disappointing for retired coal miners to direct their grandchildren in a different direction other than mining, seeing the writing on the wall, where or government's trying to keep this coal in the ground. I vote for getting the coal out of ground and keeping lights on our communities. Thank you.